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Pennsylvania Broilers

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Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Down 7 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending February 25, 2006, were 2,787,000, down 7 percent from the previous week and 11 percent below the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 2 percent below one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 4,174,000, up 25 percent from the previous week and up 7 percent from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 5 percent below the comparable period last year.

Nineteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 19 Selected States were 173,008,000, down 1 percent from the previous week and down 2 percent from

the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were slightly above one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 216,741,000, up 1 percent from the previous week and up 1 percent from the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 1 percent above the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending April 22, 2006, will be 2,817,000, down 5 percent from a year earlier. The 19 States expected marketings should total 169,243,000, 1 percent below the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

Period Covered	Pennsylvania			19 States		
	Number (1,000)	Percent		Number	Percent	
		Previous Week	Year Earlier	(1,000)	Previous Week	Year Earlier
Broilers Placed						
Past Week	2,787	93	89	173,008	99	98
Past 9 Weeks	26,357	NA	98	1,568,292	NA	100
Eggs Set						
Past Week	4,174	125	107	216,741	101	101
Past 3 Weeks	11,570	NA	95	645,437	NA	101
Expected Marketings						
Week Ending:						
Apr 22, 2006	2,817	NA	95	169,243	NA	99

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending February 18, 2006, totaled 2,179,000 head with an average live weight of 5.38 pounds.

Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending						
State	Jan 21 2006	Jan 28 2006	Feb 4 2006	Feb 11 2006	Feb 18 2006	Feb 25 2006	
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	
AL	31,411	31,025	*31,655	31,668	31,713	31,868	
AR	31,473	31,327	31,442	30,728	31,127	31,122	
DE	3,781	3,981	3,700	*3,713	3,987	3,920	
FL	1,369	1,359	*1,374	1,343	1,354	1,373	
GA	35,051	*34,455	*33,622	*33,762	*34,226	34,816	
KY	7,467	*7,432	*7,205	7,440	7,210	7,062	
LA	4,135	4,136	4,136	4,136	4,166	4,166	
MD	8,942	8,912	8,888	8,622	8,901	8,871	
MS	18,704	18,447	18,188	18,082	18,108	18,392	
ND	18,272	18,351	*18,431	19,063	19,438	19,225	
OK	6,690	6,760	6,566	6,665	*6,759	6,617	
PA	3,983	3,971	3,721	*4,063	*3,333	4,174	
SC	5,250	5,367	5,194	5,345	5,369	5,339	
TX	15,048	15,237	14,632	15,121	15,147	15,197	
VA	6,385	6,156	6,246	6,360	6,296	6,410	
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,443	17,239	*17,550	17,464	*17,987	18,189	
19 State Total	*215,404	*214,155	*212,550	*213,575	*215,121	216,741	
Previous Year Total	211,673	212,630	213,234	213,830	213,897	213,989	
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	100	100	101	101	

^{*}Revised.

Broiler Chicks Set, 19 Selected States

	Week Ending						
State	Jan 21 2006	Jan 28 2006	Feb 4 2006	Feb 11 2006	Feb 18 2006	Feb 25 2006	
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	
AL	20,890	21,340	21,631	21,412	20,803	21,468	
AR	24,773	24,597	25,961	25,383	23,786	23,832	
DE	5,365	5,908	5,088	*5,267	5,874	5,648	
FL	1,429	1,631	1,641	1,843	1,496	1,498	
GA	27,998	27,061	27,312	27,662	*28,147	27,124	
KY	5,620	5,815	6,147	6,354	*6,063	5,858	
LA	3,843	3,937	3,977	3,950	4,229	4,174	
MD	5,632	5,267	5,667	*6,022	4,960	5,022	
MS	16,502	16,511	16,617	16,244	16,547	16,428	
ND	15,715	15,465	14,630	14,471	14,951	15,241	
OK	5,262	5,447	4,467	4,781	5,948	5,392	
PA	2,958	2,949	2,921	*2,936	*2,989	2,787	
SC	4,001	4,390	4,570	5,239	4,562	4,338	
TX	12,804	12,936	13,067	13,002	13,151	12,625	
VA	5,213	4,990	*5,260	*4,952	4,996	5,182	
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,205	16,490	15,498	*16,498	*15,907	16,391	
19 State Total	174,210	174,734	*174,454	*176,016	*174,409	173,008	
Previous Year Total	172,679	171,340	172,928	175,504	175,869	176,799	
Pct. of Prev. Year	101	102	101	100	99	98	

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